## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Klaus H. Schug

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FOR: INTEROPERABLE NETWORK COMMUNICATION ARCHITECTURE

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY--CO-PENDING APPLICATION CONTAINING ADDITIONAL SUBJECT MATTER

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled INTEROPERABLE NETWORK COMMUNICATION ARCHITECTURE, the specification of which is attached hereto.

This application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 08/972,157 filed November  $17^{\rm th}$ , 1997. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

A HIGH PERFORMANCE INTEROPERABLE NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS ARCHITECTURE, Serial No.: 08/972,157, Filed November 17<sup>th</sup>, 1997, pending.

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